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### GST TD1.3 opening plenary statement

India welcomes the TD 1.3 of GST and aligns with the statement by Cuba on behalf of G77 and China , KSA on behalf of LMDC and SA on behalf of BASIC .

- We share the concerns raised by others regarding lack of operationalizing equity in our dialogue so far, on pre-2020 gaps, the depletion of the global carbon budget due to disproportionate use by a minority , and the severe constraints and costs that this imposes on low-carbon development, in developing countries.
- We would not support any prescriptive messages from GST on what the content of our NDCs should be . Parties under PA retain the sovereign right to determine their climate targets in pursuit of its goals , and reflect them in their NDCs. In this context , We do not support that NDCs necessarily should be economy wide, comprising all sectors or gases. Those that would like to frame their NDCs in this manner, voluntarily, have our full support.
- Co facts ,-an additional point that we want to emphasise , is that the models and scenarios currently in the scientific literature have not received the close scrutiny necessary to determine whether developing countries needs, rights and aspirations are anywhere close to being met by their projections. These models provide pathways that are based on constraining energy consumption and income growth in developing countries, and project a future for us that we do not want.
- We are also concerned at the framing provided to the World Café stations in a number of instances, which is not within the scope of the fundamental principles of the Convention, that is equity and CBDR&RC.
- We note that experts have been requested to role play various stakeholders. But they have been provided framings that do not do justice to the most vulnerable, and the substantial population from the developing world that has contributed the least to the warming of 1.1 deg C that we are witnessing now.
- We hope that even at this last stage of the technical dialogue we may address these gaps and move forward to an equitable and just assessment of where we are in our implementation of the Paris Agreement.